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Application of:

DARLING, W. BRIAN et al.

Serial No.: 09/846,979

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ROTATIONAL FLOAT FOR ROTATING  
EQUIPMENT

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TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith are: Transmittal; Amendment Transmittal Letter (1 page);  
Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.312 After Receipt of a Notice of Allowance (5 pages);  
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| <b>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Large Entity)</b>  |                                     |                                   |                                | Docket No.<br><b>31428</b>    |                   |
| Applicant(s): <b>Darling, W. Brian et al.</b>   |                                     |                                   |                                |                               |                   |
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| <div style="display: flex; align-items: center;"> <div style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%; padding: 10px; text-align: center; margin-right: 10px;">             PIPE<br/>             AUG 20 2004<br/>             PATENT &amp; TRADEMARK OFFICE           </div> <div>             Invention: <b>ROTATIONAL FLOAT FOR ROTATING EQUIPMENT</b> </div> </div>   |                                     |                                   |                                |                               |                   |
| <u>TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</u>   |                                     |                                   |                                |                               |                   |
| Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.   |                                     |                                   |                                |                               |                   |
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| <b>CLAIMS AS AMENDED</b>  |                                     |                                   |                                |                               |                   |
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| TOTAL CLAIMS  | 10 -                                | 33 =                              | 0 x                            | \$18.00                       | \$0.00            |
| INDEP. CLAIMS   | 1 -                                 | 6 =                               | 0 x                            | \$86.00                       | \$0.00            |
| Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/>  |                                     |                                   |                                |                               | \$0.00            |
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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.312 AFTER RECEIPT OF A NOTICE OF  
ALLOWANCE**

The Examiner issued a Notice of Allowance dated July 12, 2004. Applicants submit this Rule 312 Amendment after the Notice of Allowance but before payment of the issue fee to correct non-substantive matters in the claims and specification.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.